

REMARKS

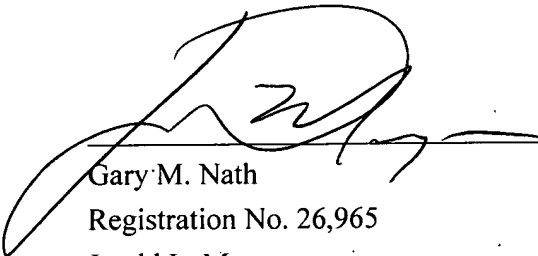
The foregoing amendments add specification omitted at the time of filing but present in priority document JP2004-197453, of which a verified partial translation is provided herewith. The paragraphs provided in the partial translation clearly support the foregoing amendments. Accordingly, applicants submit that these amendments do not introduce any new matter to this application within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §132.

In light of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for a first review on the merits. If the Examiner believes the application is not in condition for review, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney if it is believed that such contact will expedite the prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,
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